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ENGINES FROM OTHER DIVISIONS WILL HELP FREIGHT MOVEMENTS

One Hundred are Being Brought from Southwest Systems

LOCAL ROADS SHORT ON POWER

Two big locomotives from the Monongahela Connecting Railroad, a subsidiary corporation of the Jones & Laughlin Steel company were in service on the Monongahela Division of the P. R R on Monday, hauling coal to the J. & L. plants in and around Pittsburg These engines, with a long string of hopper cars, loaded with coal from the Vesta mines in the fourth and fifth pools, passed down through Charleroi shortly after 5 o'clock Monday evening.

The shortage of moave power on the Pennsylvania Railroad as well as other trunk lines in this section has caused the government to order 100 engines from systems in the southwest into this territory to help move freight, and particularly coal and coke. Quite a number of these imported engines will have to be changed somewhat, particularly in their heating arrangements, as they are fitted up to burn oil as fuel. However, it will not take long to make the change, and these engines, which will be a great factor in freight movements, will be gladly welcomed by the managements of the different railroads to which they are assigned.

Monday was a great day for the movement of coal and coke. It is estimated that 200,000 tons of coal were moved by rail, equivalent to 4,000 cars, a movement, considering the character of the weather, which did much to clear up the congestion which has prevailed in this district for many weeks. With what can be moved today, which is another idle day at many of the industries of the country, the railroads should be able to move practically all of the cars which have been stored on sidings for so long. Coal mines are reported running with an excellent supply of cars and unless there should be a further congestion fuel production should go on at an uninterrupted rate.

Sarah E. Rafferty.

Mrs. Sarah E. Rafferty died at her home in Eldora Monday evening, January 21, at 8:45 o'clock in the 61st year of her age. Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at one o'clock at her late home conducted by Rev. John R. Burson of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church to be followed by interment at Taylor cemetery near Centerville.

Charleroi Fruit Market. 313 Fifth Street. Potatoes 45 cents peck, Baldwin apples 45 cents peck Cabbage 5 cents pound All kinds of fruit cheap. 181-t26-p-*

ROOM FOR 800 MEN IN THE 28th DIVISION

The Twenty-eighth Division (the Pennsylvania troops) now in camp at Augusta, Ga., are in need of 800 men to fill gaps in the ranks of a number of units to bring them to war strength. The One Hundred and Tenth Regiment, formerly the Tenth Pennsylvania is one of these units and if any young men from this locality would like to join with this organization they no doubt can get full information from the army recruiting office in Pittsburg.

CRITICISE TOBACCO SALES

Those Who Closed Say an Unfair Advantage was Taken

POINT WILL BE RULED ON

While the order of the fuel administrator to merchants to close their stores on Monday was very generally observed in Charleroi, some criticism cropped out this morning with reference to certain sales made by those who were permitted to remain open. While all of those in the exempted class may not have sold prohibited articles, it is known that some did, possibly through ignorance of the scope of the closing order.

It was contended that certain grocery stores, restaurants and pool rooms sold tobacco, cigars and cigarets during the day, while drug stores which were permitted to remain open all day for the sale of drugs and medical supplies were prohibited. Other places also which have tobacco and cigars for sale, but who were closed all day, likewise made complaints of this condition of affairs

It is presumed that the ruling made in Pittsburg will govern outlying towns. Hotels in Pittsburg while open all day were not permitted to sell tobacco in an yform. To dispose of this disputed point, however, it is likely that H B. Duncan, fuel administrator for the county, will be called upon to rule on this important phase. It does not seem fair to those who make the sale of tobacco an important part of their business to be closed up while others who are allowed to furnish meals or foodstuffs should be given the privilege of making such sales. A decision on this point will do a great deal toward removing any friction that might arise on any of the succeeding Mondays on which the merchants are required to remain closed.

Majestic Theatre Tomorrow

Alice Brady in a timely war drama "The Maid of Belgium"

Have you a boy "over there" fighting to help make the world safe for Democracy? Or perhaps a girl, who has donned the uniform of the Red Cross and gone to the front to do her "bit" for her country. Then do not miss this play. Also a Triangle Keystone Comedy

Adults 15 cents Children 10 cents

MAKE SAVING EASY-- The War Savings Stamps of the U. S. Government make saving easy, as you can buy them of us in denominations of 25c and $5, and as you get them you can paste them on a folder which is provided for that purpose. The $5 Stamps bear 4 per cent interest compounded quarterly.

THE 1ST NATIONAL BANK

The First National Bank

CHARLEROI, PA.

Conductors Must Carry A Great Lot of Pennies

Pity the poor trolley conductor. Hereafter and until such time as there shall be a change in the present passenger fare each conductor, on leaving the barn at the beginning of his run, will have to provide himself with 300 pennies, with which to make change for pasengers during his tour of duty As each conductor is on duty for at east nine or ten hours it is possible that he may accumulate even more than his original number while on the other hand he may be agle to dispose of the greater number in the way of change.

Beginning with this morning the new fare went into effect, which is six cents for a single fare; for 11 cents the passengar is given two strip tickets, each good for a fare; if a passenger gives the conductor 10 cents four cents are returned in change, thus it will be seen that the conductor has better than an even chance to dispose of most of the pennies he takes out in the morning.

The office at the car barn must have pennies on hand every morning to supply conductors and as a starter Dispatcher W. H. Robertson this morning loaded up a satchel with 3500 of the copper disks, which was the first consignment to be used at the Charleroi barn. Conductors will find it more or less of a nuisance in the way of making change, while the public will be compelled to produce a little more money for trolley travel. It will be apt to create some confusion for a few days but eventually the public will become accustomed to it and everything will work smoothly

DANCE FOR RED CROSS BENEFIT

The Alpha Phi Beta of Charleroi is arranging for an informal dance, to be held in Might's auditorium, Thursday evening, February 7, the proceeds of which will be for the benefit of the Charleroi Chapter of the American Red Cross. The entire membership of the Alpha Phi Beta is on the committee of arrangements, and the occasion promises to be one of more than usual interest Not only will dancing bea feature but a short program will be prepared for the intermission, with a reader, a vocalist and some musical specialties, which will add greatly to the pleasure of the evening. The program and arrangements are now being worked out, and a more definite announcement will be made at a later date. The festive occasion has been given the sanction of the Charleroi Chapter of Red Cross, which means that the sale of tickets will be quite large. It is hoped to raise quite a sum of money on this date, t the same time giving the patrons an evening of pleasure and entertainment.

FIRST MEETING OF NEW YEAR HELD MONDAY EVENING

Monday evening at the home of Mrs. H. H. Rush on Washington avenue the Musical Auxiliary held their first meeting of the new year. After a short business session the following program was rendered: Song, Miss Emma Clutter; reading, Mrs. Myrtle C. Blackburn; piano solo. Miss Della Jacobs; current events Godard and his pupil Madam Chaminade.' Mrs. H. C. Robertson; piano solo, Chaminade, Miss Lula Buffle. During the social hour knitting was the diversion. Lunch was served by Mrs Rush and the assisting hostess Miss Della Swan. The next meeting will be held in two weeks at the home of Miss Leila Orange.

Calvin Higgins of the 308th Motor Ammunition Train, now in training at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio, is at home for a short furlough. He reports conditions as being very much to his liking in the cantonment.

WILL GIVE SERIES OF MUSICAL TEAS

The Athene Club has arranged for a series of musical teas, which will be given at thehomes of the different members of the Club, for the benefit of Charleroi Chapter of the American Red Cross. The programs for these occasions will be furnished by the Music Auxiliary and will consist of vocal and instrumental music and readings. At these teas a silver offering will be taken, while all those who attend are requested to bring their knitting. The first of this series of teas will be held next Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. B. Pfleghardt, to be followed in three or four weeks by another at a home to be designated later. It is proposed to keep up the feature for a number of months.

GAMBLING IS COMPLAINED OF

Chief Albright is in receipt of a letter from an indignant citizen who signs himself "Taxpayer." who complains of alleged gambling in a colored pool room in town. In the letter which the Chief received this morning no specific act of gambling is charged against the place, only an opinion expressed that the place is given over to gambling as well as to shooting pool and billiards. Whether the man's statement is true or not Chief Albright is unable to say, except that the proprietor of the place has been before the Burgess on complaints previously made, and which were pushed by the police The Chief says that if "Taxpayer" has any knowledge of gambling going on at this pool room and will present the evidence to the police, action will be takes but "Taxpayer" will have to appear at the hearing to substantiate his charges As Chief Albright views the situation, it is "Taxpayers" move, and if he has the goods he will be promptly seconded by the police in visiting punishment for these alleged violations of the law.

Circulating Library

These cold days it is very nice to have a good book to read.

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MIGHT'S BOOK STORE

WILL MAKE ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO OPEN RIVER TO NAVIGATION

HOME DEFENSE POLICE TO MEET WEDNESDAY

A meeting of the Home Defens Police will be held Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in the high school gymnasium for drill and regular exercises. The attendance at all previous meetings has been very encouraging and the officers desire as many as can make it convenient to report for roll call and drill Wednesday evenin.

LOCAL TALENT IN RURAL DRAMA

Benefit Performance for the New Ambulance Fund

WILL BE GIVEN THIS WEEK

A home talent play of more than usual merit will be given at the Turn Verein auditorium, Seventh and McKean avenue, Thursday and Friday evenings, January 24 and 25. The play to be presented is a rural drama, "My Friend From Arkansaw," which has been seen to good advantage in Charleroi before and the promoters promise that the production to be given on the two nights of this week will not fall below the standard of other years.

The best local talent in this community has been secured for these presentations, and from the manner in which ticket sales are progressing two packed houses will greet the players Special scenery has been secured as well as all of the appliances and appurtenances calculated to give a realistic tone to all of the scenes which go to make up this most delightful play

The purpose of the undertaking is to assist the New Ambulance Fund, now being promoted by Chief Albright and members of the local police force. The need of a new ambulance is very pressing and for a number of months the police force has been engaged in gathering funds for the purchase of such a convenience. The play to be given two nights this week is esxpected to add quite a nice sum to the funds already on hand. A very generous response is being made by the people in the way of purchasing tickets, and no doubt they will be well repaid for the investment they have made.

Rev. B. N Ammacher, former assistant pastor of St. Jerome's church, now pastor of St. Agnes parish near Duquesne is visiting with friends in Charleroi

Warmer Weather will Be a Factor in Second Try to Move Ice

MANY STEAMERS TO ASSIST

While rivermen gave up the attempt on Saturday to lift the ice embargo on the Monongahela river by means of steamboats, which ran through it with steel barges and bulldozers, they have not given up in their endeavor to hasten the day when theriver will be cleared of ice that river coal mines may be placed in operation.

A meeting of a number of companies interested in river transportation was held in Pittsburg on Monday at which time it was determined to wait until moderating weather would help along the good work. At this conference it was arranged to assemble a fleet of 29 steamboats, whose field of operations would extend from Lock No 2 to Lock No. 7, all working in unison and with a view of not only breaking the ice, but with claring it out of the various pools.

At the approach of moderating weather, unless a rising river should in the meantime clean out the ice, these steamboats will leave their harbors and proceed up the river, dropping off at the designated points in the various pools, where they will begin work. The boats assigned to the different pools will keep moving up and down between the locks and dams and if the river is high enough keep the ice moving in greater quantities on to the pools below. In this way it is expected that the river will be cleared much quicker than if allowed to ow naturally. Also, it will prevent gorges at any point along the river.

The boats that have been assigned to the work and the locations are as follows: Second pool, steamers Rival, Clyde, Hibernia, Midland, Fallie, Twilight; third pool, Tide. Rover, Conqueror and Juniata; fourth pool. Jim Brown, Robert Jenkins, Volcano, Active and Hillman; fifth pool, J. C. Risher, Beacon, Sailor and Titan; sixth pool, Bertha, Monitor, Vulcan and H. A. Laughlin; to lock No. 7, Ahquppa, Duquesne, Braddock. Crucible. Collier and Alicia.

License Tax is Due.

All Borough Licenses for 1917 have expired and licenses for 1918 are now due and payable. These licenses include, certain motor vehicles, teams, hukster and peddler license, moving picture theatre license as well as borough license for dogs. Ira L. Nickeson. Borough Clerk.

185-45

Look! Listen! For Sale.

A great bargain. 10 roomed brick house with all conveniences in the best location on Washington avenue at the right price to a quick buyer. I. P. Hepler. 411 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa. 185-tf

Coyle Theatre Tomorrow

Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne in "Red, White and Blue Blood"

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AN IMPORTANT HIGHWAY

That the Monongahela river is regarded as an important artery of commerce is shown by the fact that a number of the larger steel industries of Pittsburg massed their steamboats on Friday last in an effort to break through the ice embargo, which has held the river in its grasp for so long. The failure to get through to the mines in the upper pools was a failure and the mills which depend largely on the output of coal in that section for their fuel supply will be compelled to wait until nature steps and removes the embargo.

The immense tonnage of coal and coke which is shipped down the river during the navigable season, which is practically the entire year, cuts a mighty figure in the industries of Pittsburg and vicinity. Without it a large number of the larger mills would be compelled to curtail their output, while a number of others would be compelled to suspend operations.

The ice embargo at the present time is depriving the mills in and around Pittsburg of about 875,000 tons of coal per month, certainly a wonderful total, showing that over ten millions of tons of fuel is being transported by water out of the Monongahela valley by means of boats and barges. No wonder the mill owners wanted to break through the ice and release the heavy coal tonnage which awaits a let-up of the present weather conditions. The Monongahela is one of the most important water highways in the United States, and it is so regarded by those industries which depend on it mainly for their fuel supply.

WHAT'S THE REASON

Sectional, 343 of the Criminal Code reads as follows:

"All persons who, in time of war or of rebellion against the supreme authority of the United States, shall be found lurking or acting as spies in or about any of the fortifications, posts, quarters or encampments of any of the armies of the United States, or elsewhere, shall be triable of a general court martial or by a military commission, and shall on conviction thereof suffer death.

We arenot blood thirsty, but fires, explosions, loss of life, destruction of munitions and materials are of almost daily occurrence, and strange to remark all mysterious and undiscoverable, baffling the Department of Justice. Why?

Also, isn't it about time we quit coddling German spies, German propagandists and German sympathizers?

Mere interment or deporting of foreign subjects who are trying to do Germany's dirty work in this country cannot have the needed deterrent effect.

A recent news dispatch says: "Although hundreds of self-appointed spies are believed to be at work in the United States, officials are not worried about them as they work individually and have not developed any system of co-operation."

That may be the explanation of many mysterious fires in buildings used for manufacture or storage of war material—that officials are "not worried" about many aliens who "work individually."

Manifestly it is the highest time for more official worrying which will induce such action as will instill wholesome fear in allenemies among us, both the hired agents of the Kaiser and the self-appointed ones.

ON THE HOG.

"It's the pig, not the cow, that has jumped over the moon," says an exchange.

Sure thing. Why not? Isn't the food administration helping to boost the price? Listen: This is from the "Weekly Bulletin" of the trade and technical press section of the U. S. Food Administration, and issued from Washington on the 12th of January: "The following urgent request concerning hogs has been issued by Joseph P. Cotton, head of the Meat Division of the Food Administration at Chicago:

"Hold back your hogs. On November 3 I stated that the prices of hogs so far as this division could affect them, would not fall below $15.50 per hundred weight for the average of the packers' droves on the Chicago market until further notice. That statement I make again. The packers inform me that they are loing right best to adhere to that policy, but largely owing to transportation difficulties in the east, there is now a glut of hogs on the Chicago market, and more hogs than the packers can kill and handle. The farmers and mansion men in this territory must help out in filling such hogs temporarily, especially from the Chicago market. If there is co-operation, the minimum will be maintained. Do not sacrifice your hogs by 'dumping them on an overcrowded market.'"

It is only modest that pork products are at sky-high prices, and that they are seldom seen on the table of the ordinary household.

IF EACH HOME

The postoffice department is now using cancelling stamps with the words—"Food will win the war—don't waste it."

As a method by which everybody may co-operate, the superintendent of the dining car service of the Northern Pacific uses a rubber stamp at the bottom of each letter sent out, with the following message:

If each home saves—

One ounce of meat daily it means 465,000,000 pounds annually.

And one slice of bread, 365,000,000 loaves annually.

And one piece of butter, 114,000,000 pounds annually.

And one cup of milk, 912,000,000 quarts or the product of 400,000 cows annually.

There is indeed a distinct channel for food-saving in correspondence.

The Loss To Our Military Forces Because of Alcohol.

Getting the great number of men together from various parts of the country to military camps is a most difficult duty. The violent change of climate and the exchange, in many cases, of outdoor life from indoor life, without proper clothing and under unusual living accommodations, as well as the influx of new men, at the mobilization camps where they might be kept under observation until any contagious disease has had time to develop, are sources of danger to the men who are already in the service. Unfortunately, the recruits, under the excitement of the new life, are tempted to indulge in high living and alchohol, which condition is always bad, particularly in cases of pnuemonia. Alchohol combusts in the human system and does so at the expense of other valuable foodstuffs, and therefore, should not be considered a foodstuff under the circumstances. It interferes with treatment, using the patients' strength, when this strength is most needed in resisting the disease.

Overeating and drinking are bound to increase the death rate from pneumonia. It is the duty of each one to take good care of his health so as to enable him to fight against this serious, exhaustive disease prevalent in Winter.

During the last (several months, not only in military but in civil life we have lost by death a large number of citizens by pneumonia and other diseases, where the patients' condition was due to the fact that they were overfed andover-alcoholed.

It is to be hoped that this word of warning will, particularly at this time when this terrible world's war calls for our best efforts, help us to restrain ourselves and that our citizens in civil life will join in assisting the military authorities in carrying out their discipline, by refraining from furnishing alcohol to those who are in the service.

Goats Are Cute.

Many of the people in this country today believe that the goat is anything but a lovable animal, relates an exchange. In reality there is no more lovable and gentle creature alive than "Mr. and Mrs. Chin Whiskers." Visit a goat ranch and learn to welcome the playful thrust of the cold little nose into the palm of your hand, or into your pocket, where a few of the more daring expect some hidden goodies are to be found. The awkward and playful antics of the little goatlet should win the heart of the most critical.

Remarkable Memory.

In England Samuel Wesley reproduced from memory after a lapse of 25 years an oratorio covering upward of 300 closely written pages which he had composed early in life. He said that he saw the score in his mind's eye as accurately as if it lay before him.

This Is Our Winter of Test

SERVING food is a local problem for each community. Prices and definite rules for every one cannot be formulated. It is a duty for each one to eat only so much as is necessary to maintain the human body healthy and strong. This winter of 1918 is the period when is to be tested here in America whether our people are capable of voluntary individual sacrifice to save the world. That is the purpose of the organization of the United States Food Administration—by voluntary effort to provide the food that the world needs.

U. S. FOOD ADMINISTRATION

Right of Choice.

You cannot always choose your associates, but you can select your companions, observes a sage. Circumstances may throw you with people who are distasteful to you, but circumstances cannot force you to take them to your hearts and into your confidence. Choice is stronger than environment. Wherever you are, you always have the privilege of choosing.

Live Right.

Right living and the right kind of work have changed many a stunted boy into a well-developed man, asserts an educator. Spiritual growth is not greatly aided by sitting down and thinking about it. Live in the sunshine of trust. Rely on a strength higher than your own. Reach out helpfully to others, and growth in the divine life will look after itself.

The Shawm.

A shawm was a wind instrument of the oboe class but with a wider bell. It is a very old type of musical instrument, as it is spoken of by the Psalmist. The Romans used it freely. There were treble shawms and bass shawms, and the name gradually gave way about the sixteenth century to "moboy" or "howboy," eventually evolving to "oboe."

Working and Thinking.

There is no less virtue, rather more, in events, tasks, duties, obligations, than there is in books. Work itself has a singular power to unfold and develop our nature. The difference is not between working people and thinking people, but between people who work without thinking and people who think while they work.—Henry Van Dyke.

Written Before Christ.

All the books of the Old Testament were written long before the birth of Christ, some of them as much as 1,400 years before, others from 500 to 1,000 years before, and none less than 300 to 400 years before. The Gospels and other books of the New Testament were written from 33 to 60 or 70 years after the birth of Christ.

Might Have Saved French.

In the Franco-Prussian war a dispatch was "lost" which might have averted the French defeat in 1870. Bazaine, whose message Marshal MacMahon never received, was after the war ordered shot for treason, a sentence which was commuted to 20 years' imprisonment.

Needless to Copy Others.

To do anything because others do it, and not because the thing is good, or kind, or honest in its own right, is to resign all moral control and captaincy upon yourself, and go post haste to the devil with the greatest number.—Stevenson.

Are Parrots Left-Handed?

It has been noticed that parrots seize objects with the left claw by preference or exclusively, and they make a readier use of the left claw for climbing than the right. Are they "left-handed?"—Exchange.

Curious.

Just happened to think—funny, but true—that every man who ever made a pioneer of himself was considered looney! Can you locate a single exception? Look 'em over.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Women Carry All Wealth.

In Dutch Guiana the women carry upon their persons all the family savings in the shape of heavy bracelets, anklets, necklaces and even crowns of gold and silver.

The Excuse.

"Many a man," said Uncle Eben, "thinks he has done a day's work when he has made up a good excuse foh not doin' no work yesterday."

The Minuet.

The old-time "minuet" derives its name from the Latin minutes—small, applying to the short steps peculiar to this dance.

JAPAN ISSUES NEW CURRENCY

Fractional Amounts in Paper Money, Relieving a Great Need, Now in Circulation.

Two recent steps taken by the Japanese government illustrate the difficulties attendant upon the use of subsidiary coin whose metal value is comparatively close to its mint value, states Commerce Reports. Announcement was made recently that paper fractional currency would be issued to the amount of 30,000,000 yen ($14,940,000). Early in November a portion of this issue was put in circulation. The new notes are exchangeable for regular bank notes and are legal tender up to ten yen ($4.98).

More recently the Japanese government has announced three prizes of 1,000 yen, 500 yen and 300 yen for the best designs submitted for a new silver 50-sen piece (24.9 cents). The new coin is to be materially smaller than the one now in circulation.

The present 50-sen piece is 80 per cent pure and weighs 2.7 momme (0.3235 ounce troy). The coin, therefore, contains 0.2604 ounce of pure silver and 0.0651 ounce of copper. At par the money value of the coin is 24.925 cents. This corresponds to 95.7 cents per ounce troy if the value of the copper is disregarded.

For a considerable period the excess of the bullion value over the mint value made it profitable to melt Japanese subsidary coin or ship it to China. The country, as a consequence became denuded of small change, and it was and is extremely difficult to get money changed except through money changers at comparatively high rates. It was no unusual thing to pay ten sen, or even more, to change a five-yen note; and in that case the buyer would receive four one-yen notes and only the fraction less than a yen in subsidiary coin.

JACKIE STUCK TO HIS POST

Fireman on Watch in Engine Room of Torpedoed Ship Commended for Devotion to Duty.

When the United States ship Alcedo was torpedoed last November in the war zone George A. Collier, a second-class fireman of the navy, was on watch in the engine room under instructions as machinist's mate. He was just at that time taking up duties that would mean, if successfully handled, bringing him up another step in the service. The kind of stuff he is made of was shown when just as soon as the torpedo struck and was followed by an explosion he remained cool and knew exactly what to do.

Despite the fact that he was standing in water up to his knees, the sea having rushed in through the rent torn by the torpedo, he stopped the main engine and then deliberately raised the safety valve on the main engine by the hand gear.

Thus, without regard to his own personal safety, and when in the greatest danger of going down with the ship, he stuck to his post and performed his duties. He has been commended for this devotion to duty in a letter written by the secretary of the navy. Fireman Collier is a son of W. T. Collier of Morringsport, La.

Hung It on a Dead Man.

The constable gazed long and thoughtfully at the hole in Mrs. Parkington's parlor window. Then he procured a notebook.

"You 'eard the crash at four o'clock?"

"Four o'clock," echoed the lady.

"You run to the door, but seed nobody?"

"Nobody."

After this question Sherlock could think of no more, so he shut up his book with a snap and walked off dreaming of promotion.

A few minutes later he was back with a full-face smile that was eloquent of triumph.

"Jobs like this 'ere don't take a smart chap long," he remarked. "You're sure it happened at four o'clock, ma'am?"

"Yes; have you caught the culprits?"

"Well, not yet, ma'am," he answered, "but I'm narrowin' it down, all right. It wasn't Bill 'Iggins, cos' 'e was killed by a motor car at 'arf past three."

Fighting in the Air.

Strikingly graphic is the account of a fight in the air, told in a Newfoundlander's letter home.

"Soon after we crossed the lines, which we did at 15,000 (nearly three miles high), I began to have difficulty in keeping up with the formation. As a result Archie picked me out and he certainly made it hot. However, I kept along a bit behind the rest, and was just dropping my bombs over the objective when seven Huns dived down on us. In the scrap that followed I lost all trace of the rest of the formation, so I knew my only chance lay in flying west as fast as I could. Just as I was getting well under way, a Hun came at us. It was exciting. We twisted and turned, dived and climbed, each trying to get the other. Finally he left us."

Height of Women's Shoes.

The British war office forbids from February 1, except under permit from director of raw material, the purchase, sale, or offers to purchase or sell any boots for women with uppers exceeding seven inches in height if of leather or eight inches in height if of any other material. Manufacturers are now forbidden to cut material or uppers exceeding dimensions named.

SINSENG MARKET IN CHINA

Depression in Business Reported Past Year, Sale of the Root Being Much Below Normal.

The market for ginseng in Hongkong and the China field generally is depressed, and dealers look for little revival in the trade until well toward Chinese New Year. Usually there is a quickening in the trade as cool weather comes on, but so far the past year, and in spite of the high exchange value of silver which ought to stimulate the trade, the sale of the root has been much below normal, says Consul General George E. Anderson, Hongkong. Arrivals have been below normal and the demand has not kept pace with the supply. An auction of a lot of American root on consignment recently brought fair prices. Two days later a similar lot of as good if not better root sold for little more than half the price brought by the first lot, and private sales made later were on a still lower level. Uncertain political conditions in the interior of China are given as the chief reason for the present slump in demand, but uncertain financial conditions due to the export of silver and copper coinage from the provinces as well as the existence of piracy and other disorders in some districts have also had material influence.

Sales have been irregular and the market may improve at any time. The root on hand of course will get the benefit of the improvement, while that held in the United States will probably arrive too late to secure full returns. The ginseng business and all similar lines of trade in China are in an uncertain state and little reliance can be placed upon the continuance of any conditions.

FEED FROM FISH AND OFFAL

Material Produced in Form of Meal Believed Valuable for Both Swine and Cattle.

A factory has been started at Ymuiden, at the entrance to the North sea Canal, for transmuting the least desirable fish and fish offal into a satisfactory food for swine, writes Consul Frank W. Mahin, Amsterdam, Netherlands. This is considered of double importance—it feeds the swine and also frees articles (maize, for example) usually fed to swine, for other purposes, even for human food.

Spoiled fish have been fed to swine, but with bad effect on the taste of the pork. The new factory, it is stated, makes a "vischmeel" (literally, fish meal) from the material it uses, which product, analysis shows, contains 55 per cent albumen and 12 per cent fat, and also realizes an oil that after suitable purification, could be used in competition with cod-liver oil, or in any case could be very useful as an industrial oil.

It is suggested that besides feeding swine with this new product it be tried with cattle, as a possible aid in the serious situation which now exists in regard to feeding live stock.

The new factory is considered of great importance in scientific circles, and hope is expressed that the government as well as the general public will give it earnest support as a matter of national concern.

Smelt Fishing in New Brunswick.

The smelt fishing season recently opened on the Northumberland strait shores of New Brunswick. Returns show that in the Miramichi district, at and near Chatham, both quality and quantity of fish have been disappointing. The fishermen there are receiving about ten cents a pound, while at Rexton and Richibucto, in Kent county, it is reported they have received as much as 15 cents; the average price is not above 12 cents.

In the recently proclaimed embargo on the export from the Dominion of certain food products, fresh frozen fish is included, but when destined for the United States shipments in fair average quantities are permitted to go forward under indorsement by collectors of customs at ports of exit.

The export of smelts from the Moncton consular district during the 1916-17 season, as shown by consular invoices certified, was 957,939 pounds, valued at $95,805.

Jack's Friend in Need.

The naval class was under signal instruction. Most of them had just come back from leave, and, as a result, to some of the boys in blue the instructor's voice seemed very far away indeed.

"A ship in distress," he was saying, through the room spaces, "has several methods by means of which she can make known her condition to other vessels or home stations. Name one, Binks!"

"The international code signal 'N. C.'" replied Binks, waking up just in time.

"Right!" said the instructor. "Jenks, name another."

Jenks started out of a dream.

"Eh?" he ejaculated.

"What would you do if you were in distress?" repeated the signal instructor.

"Why," mumbled Jenks, "pawn my watch."

Increased Rates in Norway.

Commercial Attache Erwin W. Thompson reports from Copenhagen, Denmark, that freight and passenger tariffs have been increased from time to time in Norway since the war began, amounting now in all to 80 per cent for first class passengers, 60 per cent for third class passengers, and 100 per cent for all freights except foods and fertilizers.

Great For Emergencies

San Cura Ointment Should Be in Every Home

There never was known a more reliable ointment than San-Cura. In most every case where it has been used it has created astonishment. It drew a needle out of the foot of the daughter of Mrs. James Hitchcock, of Centreville, Pa., after the doctor had used his lance and failed.

It has great healing and antiseptic value. It possesses so much healing virtue that it is guaranteed by Henning's Drug Store and Piper Bros., Druggists, to relieve any kind of piles, eczema, tetter, salt rheum, boils, carbuncles, ulcers, all kinds of chronic sores, chilblains and chaped hands, or money back.

It's a mighty handy remedy to have in the house in emergencies for bruises, burns, cuts or scalds, because it relieves the pain and is antiseptic and healing. It's a medicine chest in itself—a little family physician that is ever in demand. 30c, 60c, $1.20 a jar at Henning's Drug Store and Piper Bros., druggists.

BEST SKIN SOAP

Is San Cura Soap, because of its great antiseptic and healing qualities. Use it regularly, and it will make the skin soft and velvety; will remove pimples and blackheads. It's the real soap for babies' tender skin, which mothers of infants should remember. 25 cents a cake at Henning's Drug Store and Piper Bros., Druggists.

If your druggist does not have it, send to Thompson Medical Co., Titusville, Pa. adv.

Orphans Court Sale of Improved Realty.

Buy virtue of an order of the Orphans Court of Washington County, Pennsylvania at No. 48 November Term, 1917, the undersigned Administratrix will offer at public sale on the premises in the Borough of Charleroi, Washington County, Pennsylvania, at 10:00 o'clock a. m., Wednesday, February 6th, 1918, the following described real estate:

Lot No. 7 of the Plan of the Borough of Charleroi, fronting 40 feet on the West side of Lincoln avenue, between Tenth and Eleventh streets, and extending back of uniform width, 110 feet to Prospect avenue, having erected thereon a two story frame dwelling house in the front and a two roomed framed dwelling house in the rear.

Terms 10 per cent at the time of sale and the balance upon confirmation by the Court.

Anna Aponasiewicz, Admrx., of Mike Aponasiewicz, deceased.
David M. McCloskey, Atty.

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5 room house Lock No. 4 .....$2700
5 room house Crest avenue $2800
One lot near new mill $1800
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1 lot 23x120 feet Prospect avenue $700.

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January

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Every coat in stock reduced, former values up to $50, a wonderful selection of attractive models made up from every wanted fabric and every wanted color. Stylish, beautiful garments at unusually large savings.

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"Nothing wrong but my nerves." We hear it at home, at work and everywhere. Certainly, nervousness is a disease. A man or woman might better have a broken leg than a shattered, run down nervous system.

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Phosphated Iron certainly does take hold. The way the majority of patients come back is remarkable. You can almost see their nerves grow steady, strong and peaceful.

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PENNSYLVANIA LADY BUYS LIBERTY BONDS WITH OPERATION MONEY

"I have been busy saving up money for an operation for gall stones which my physician advised in my case. Since taking one bottle of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy it looks as though I can safely use this money to buy Liberty Bonds. I suffered for years with colic attacks and bloating. It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucous from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. Piper's Pharmacy. Carroll's Pharmacy.

PERSONALS

Ronald Flohr who is a member of the headquarters troop of the 16th Cavalry located at Mercedes, Texas is home to spend a furlough with his parents.

Miss Elizabeth Chaney and Roland K. Gass visited at the home of Miss Tina Lee Hollis of McKeesport Sunday.

Miss Nelle Ludwig visited at Donora Sunday and Monday with Miss Ruth Majors.

Adam Turnbull of Kensington, Pa., spent the week end with friends and relatives in Charleroi.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. George E. Morris of Hotel Monier a son.

Chester Humphreys will be one of the soloists at the concert to be given by the Pittsburg Male Chorus, assisted by the Tuesday Musical Club Choral in Carnegie Music Hall Pittsburg, this [illegible] evening.

Economy and Waste.

"Economy is the parent of Integrity, of Liberty and of Ease: and the beauteous sister Temperance, of Cheerfulness and Health: and Profuseness is a cruel and crafty demon that gradually involves her followers in debt and care and debasement, and fetters them with "irons that enter into their souls."—Hawkesworth.

Weavers.

The arts of weaving and rope and net making are practiced by some of the lower forms of life, notably among caterpillars and spiders. The weaver birds of Africa and India, which are a species of finch, construct wonderful nests out of leaves by sewing them together.

Jerked Meats.

"In South America jerked or dried meat is known variously as tasajo or tasajo, to one jerked venison is prepared and used by mountain dwellers in the Rockies and the southern mountain ranges. In South Africa these dried meat products are known as biltong.

Many Rats Destroyed.

A club in Kent, England, destroyed 16,000 rats in three seasons at an insignificant cost. Women's municipal leagues in the United States have recently taken up the matter of rat eradication, notably in Baltimore and Boston.

Like Getting Signatures.

Sentiment is so easily molded that three or four active people, by keeping at it long enough can convince millions that water runs up hill instead of down.—Atchison Globe.

About His Relations.

Judge—"Now, sir, tell us about your marital relations—were they pleasant?" Bilback—"Pleasant enough, your honor. But they wanted to live on me all the time."—Life.

China Big Hemp Producer.

The production of hemp in China, the original home of the plant, is greater than that of any other country except Russia in normal times.

She Is Like the Reed.

Woman is like the reed which bends to every breeze, but breaks not in the tempest.—Archbishop Whately.

Canadian Forests.

The extent of Canada's woodlands and forests is said to exceed 865,000,000 acres.

Tender Thoughts in Will.

Sometimes there are found such tender touches as these in the will of a late town clerk of Monmouth, who died in 1915, aged seventy-two. He left to the Monmouth General hospital and dispensary, for the children's ward, in memory of his darling child Lizzie, £500 and a framed portrait of the child, and desired the authorities to place on her grave a wreath of flowers each Palm Sunday and a wreath of holly each Christmas day.

New Kind of Grape Honey.

The "honey of grapes" prepared by the special process of Professor Monti, an Italian experimenter, is a grape sugar particularly recommended for preserved fruits, marmalades, and flavoring syrups. The juice is pressed from the grapes with care to avoid fermentation, is next frozen in a rotating cylinder with removal of the ice crystals, and is further concentrated to syrup of grapes by heating under low pressure. For honey of grapes the concentration is continued until crystals are found.

Lute Out of Existence.

The lute has vanished. It was one of the oldest of instruments, and had a beautiful vibrant tone somewhat like that of the harp. But its size and complexity were against it. It had a long tail and many strings, and while its size increased its power and range, it also increased its weight and made it cumbrous. The minstrel of today plays on the mandolin, the guitar or the banjo—and the lute is forgot.

Being Ahead of the Times.

The world calls every man that is ahead of his age a crank. There is no disgrace in it. It may be a little hard not to be understood and appreciated when you know you have what the world needs, notes an exchange. But remember, that's the way with the world. It sometimes takes years, and even centuries for people to appreciate what's beyond their experience.

Husband and Wife.

Compensation for services rendered by a wife outside of the home of her husband, with whom she is living, such services not being in the discharge of her household or domestic duties, and not in interference therewith, is held recoverable in an action therefor in her own name and for her own use, in Bechtol vs. Ewing, L. R. A. 1917E. 259.

California's Weeping Trees.

California has but two species of native trees that are normally of weeping habit. One is Quercus lobata, the valley oak, having its most southerly range near Burbank. The other is Picea Brewerianna, the weeping spruce, [illegible] mountains of the northwestern [illegible] of the state.

The Capital's Fifth Avenue.

Pennsylvania avenue in Washington is usually listed among the world's famous streets, but to the Washingtonian this avenue has not half the importance and attractiveness of F street, the recognized parade ground of the fashionable on sunny afternoons. F street in Washington is an institution like the monument, the government clerk and band concerts in the parks. It dates back far enough to tax the memory of Washington's few oldest inhabitants, but no records of its origin are filed in the city hall.

Singing Requires Strength.

Students should remember that singing right requires great physical strength, observes a vocal teacher. The late Madame Nordica remarked that it required the training of a prize fighter. The human race is not physically as strong as it was a hundred years ago. The abdominal muscles seem to have suffered the greatest relapse, hence the scarcity of really great singers. In singing more than in anything else it is the "survival of the fittest."

Size of a City Lot.

The question is often asked what part of an acre an ordinary city lot is. One 66x165 feet contains just a quarter-acre and contains 10,890 square feet. Ten acres, if square, would measure 660 feet along each side and a strip of that length and one-tenth the length, or 66 feet, would make an acre, and if but one-fourth as long or 165 feet would make a quarter acre. This is a good-sized city lot.

No Office Cat.

A tradition of the office cat around a newspaper survives from earlier times, but it is only a tradition, for there is no such animal, notes an exchange. Probably he, or she, was once endured because of his supposed efficiency as a hunter of rats and mice, but no modern office is infested with rodents, and therefore it is not necessary that it should tolerate a cat.

Favors Early Parenthood.

Early parenthood is productive of warriors, but not of good brain workers, for, says Doctor Redfield, "when we look over those intellectually superior men who have done so much for the world's advancement we find them to have been predominantly the sons of elderly parents and only rarely the sons of men less than twenty-five."

America's Natural Bridges.

There are probably more natural bridges in America than in any other country. Rainbow, the largest in existence, is 309 feet high. Its span is six times as great as that of the natural bridge of Virginia. Utah has three natural bridges that are higher and of greater span than any other natural bridges in the world.

Watched Him Swell.

Leslie had been suffering with a severe toothache so that his face had become badly swollen. Returning from school the following day his mother asked him what the teacher said to him and he replied, "She did not say anything, but the kids all got around me to watch me swell."

Center of Jute Industry.

Dundee practically owes its existence to its textile industry. It was the pioneer in the adoption of jute as a fiber for making cloth of a cheap quality, and its hold upon the trade has been so firmly maintained and developed that Dundee is recognized as the principal center of the jute industry in Great Britain.

Tibet History Lost.

The history of Tibet is lost in the obscurity of the long ago, for its customs date back to the morning of the world. Its people come from the ancient ages, and it is only known that they belong to the Tibeto-Indo-Chinese branch of Keene's Homo Mongolicus.

Fond of Chicken Hearts.

Lucy is fond of the hearts of all fowls. When dining out with friends she was asked what her choice of the chicken was. Forgetting the name for the moment, she said: "I fordet de name. It's de part what makes his live."

Many Seem to Think So.

Like everybody else, the paragrapher has his dull days, though, perhaps, the rest of the people feel that the paragrapher has more of them than anybody else.—Wilmington News.

Definition of True Friend.

"A friend," said Uncle Eben, "is a man dat laughs at yoh funny stories even if dey ain't so good; an' sympathizes wif yoh misfortunes, even if dey ain't so bad."

Circle of Ulloa.

The circle of Ulloa is a white rainbow or luminous ring sometimes seen in Alpine regions opposite the sun in foggy weather. It's an odd sight.

Exceptions to All Rules.

In so complex a thing as human nature, we must consider it hard to find rules without exceptions.

RARE TEAM WORK IN BEHALF OF AILING FOLK

Being Done Daily By Nerv-Worth And Nerv-Worth Laxative Tablets

These two pull together with happy results for those whose nervous ills are mixed up with constipation and liver troubles. Nerv-Worth the liquid generally masters derangements of the liver and bowels, but in some cases these are too deep rooted to surrender and then the Tablets, taken in conjunction with the liquid do wonderful work. They are especially valuable in cleansing the bowels for those whose habits of constipation do not readily yield to the laxative properties of Nerv-Worth the liquid. A bottle of Nerv-Worth and a 25c box of the Tablets form a combination without equal in overcoming ills of the nerves, stomach, bowels and liver.

Hennings Drug Store and Pipers Pharmacy sell Nerv-Worth in Charleroi and Nerv-Worth Laxative Tablets in Charleroi. Your dollar back if Nerv-Worth the liquid does not benefit you.

To Investigate Leprosy.

The Japanese government is making a thorough investigation of leprosy throughout Japan. Complete segregation of all the lepers on some island off the coast and the separation of the children from leprous parents is being considered by the government.

Slender Type Increasing.

The slender type of person is said to be more susceptible to disease than the heavier, and an investigation shows that 50 years ago only 20 per cent of the people were of the slender type; today 60 per cent are of this type.

$2 EACH WEEK

Pays Doctors and Home Medicines

Proof of Reliability

Mr. Jno. Duffy, Dunbar, Pa., esteemed citizen and public works official says: "I had been sick one year with a a very bad case of stomach and heart trouble. Although I spent a great deal of money and time getting treated I received no benefit whatever. I got so bad the only thing I could take was a small quantity of buttermilk and would sometimes vomit that up. I suffered severe pains. I had to sit up in bed all night as I could not sleep lying down. I was compelled to give up my position and had not worked for two months. I commenced treatment with the United Specialist and in a short time my stomach feels fine, can eat good, can sleep good lying down and feel strong enough to commence to go to work."

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FOR RENT—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping. No children. 110 Lincoln avenue. 184-t2

FOR SALE—Small fruit and chicken farm one mile from Monongahela on Washington Pike, containing 3 1-4 acres, 6 room house, spring well and cistern, barn and large chicken house 72 feet long. Fruit of all kinds, red and black raspberries, black berries, currents and gooseberries, apples, peaches, pears, plums, cherries and grapes. Bell telephone 16-W Monongahela. 182-tf

FOR SALE—Wholesale and retail bakery, equipped with electric dough and cake mixer, Hubbard portable oven and small brick oven, good place for a good man. Reason for selling, ill health. Address box 24, or 628 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa. 184-t3

FOR SALE—A twelve room house with a six room house in rear. Rents for $52 per month $3700. Peoples Realty Company. 166-tf

WANTED—Janitor for First Presbyterian church. Apply to Mr. Clark at City Grocery corner Fifth and Washington. 182-tf

WANTED—By Fallowfield school district, substitute teacher. Make application to Charles E. Williams, Monongahela R. D. or J. B. Duvall, Secy. R. D. Coal Center. 184-t3

LOST—Fox set of furs at the Italian hall, Saturday evening. Reward if returned to Margaret Kendrick, 1100 Meadow avenue. 184-t3

NORTH CHARLEROI

Miss Mary Worth of McKeesport is the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wertke.

Mrs. Meecham has returned to her home in Brownsville after visiting her daughter Mrs. J. J. Cope.

Mrs. L. K. Gabler of Greensboro who has been the guest of her daughter Mrs. C. Flenniken for several weeks left for Uniontown where she will visit her daughter.

Mrs. Freeman Hagherty, Mrs. Oscar Carson and Mrs. William Carson are numbered among the sick.

Miss Myrtle North of North Side, Pittsburg is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Willis McCook.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Winship and children have returned home from a week's visit with friends at Rath Mill.

Mrs. Willis McCook has returned home, after spending a few days with relatives in North Side, Pittsburg.

Mrs. Conn Buchannon has been confined to her home for several days with rheumatism.

Mrs. Everet Harris spent a few days with her mother at Fayette City. Her brother William Dwyer who has been seriously ill with fever and rheumatism is slowly improving.

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use more corn

2-meat
use more fish & beans

3-fats
use just enough

4-sugar
use syrups

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Time for Discretion.

"Why, I've got one foot in the grave and the other foot on a banana peel, so to speak," responds a man of sixty-five, sued for breach of promise in New York. Under such circumstances there is every reason why a man should exercise discretion.—Boston Globe.

Watch and Man Alike.

The watch that works only by fits and starts is never to be trusted. Nor is the man who does his work in the same way ever capable of the highest achievement possible to his station. With men as with watches the test lies in being right and reliable all the time.

An African Belle.

In Africa a crop of the blackest, curliest, closest hair imaginable makes a girl the belle of the kraal, especially if she be plump, with piggy eyes, thick lips, a nose like an India-rubber shoe, and a skin that shines like a cooking stove.

Concrete for Irrigation Gates.

Concrete as a material for gate structure in American irrigation canals is beginning to displace wood, its drability overcoming the disadvantage of higher cost.

About Your Errors.

Remember that to change thy opinion and to follow him who corrects thy error is as consistent with freedom as it is to persist in thy error.—Marcus Aurelius.

Make a Friend of Him.

Treat your enemy as generously as you treat your friend, and it may end in your having two friends and no enemy. Which is much better.

Being Neighbors.

We are nearer neighbors to ourselves than whiteness to snow or weight to stones.—Montaigne.

Daily Thought.

The services of the poor and the protection of the rich become reciprocally necessary.

Women Better or Worse.

Women, when they are bad, are worse than men and more disposed to commit crime. When the sex which is sweet by inheritance once becomes degraded it falls into greater excesses than the other. Women are always either much better or much worse than men.—Bonaparte.

Rubber Watch-Cover.

Among the rubber novelties recently introduced, is a watch protector which covers the case entirely except the dial. It is designed for the use of workmen primarily and for those who are compelled to move around electrical machinery and it renders the mechanism proof against damage. The clinging quality of rubber makes it almost impossible for the timepiece thus protected to slip out of the pocket.

"Turn a Deaf Ear."

To be able to hear well is a great blessing, but one should be able to "turn a deaf ear" to what is unwise or unfit to hear. If the angry words that stir up strife, or the harsh, critical words that hurt one's feelings or defame another, never found listeners how much less pain and trouble the world would know. Learn to use the "hearing ear" and the "deaf ear" upon the right occasions.—Exchange.

Thieves Bury Auto.

Somewhat out of the ordinary in making away with stolen cars was the method of Springfield, Mass., thieves, who buried a car in a lonely wooded spot not far from the state line. Boys passing discovered what appeared to be a newly made grave and notified the police, who when they dug a short time, uncovered a windshield. The car bore a Massachusetts license.

A Legal Pun.

"A petition for an injunction, based upon a somewhat doubtful assertion of fact," says a New York lawyer, "came before one of the justices of the supreme court of this state. After consideration of the affidavit of the petitioner, the justice remarked: 'In this case an injunction will not lie, even if the relator does.'"—Case and Comment.

Kept Him From Sleeping.

Once there was an Eastern showman who said that when he went to bed, knowing there would be buckwheat and sausages for breakfast, he couldn't sleep for thinking about it. And when he went to bed with the information that there would be no buckwheat and sausages for breakfast, he couldn't sleep for worrying about it.

Colors That Fade.

Aniline colors often fade to entirely different colors, while vegetable dyes usually fade to tones of their own particular colors. The finest Oriental rugs owe their soft, wonderful colors entirely to vegetable dyes—in fact, the Persian government has for years prohibited the importation of aniline dyes.

"We Must Sail, Not Drift."

I find the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand as in what direction we are moving, writes O. W. Holmes. To reach the port of heaven, we must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it—but we must sail, and not drift, nor lie at anchor.

The Hardiest Palm.

The hardiest palm at all common is California's Trachycarpus excelsus, known as the windmill palm. Not alone is it hardy in withstanding low temperatures but it is tough and will endure rough treatment, but boxed it is not a success.

Many Bad People.

It is said that each year 500,000 persons are committed to some jail or reformatory. In 1910 the total number of prisoners and juvenile delinquents in the United States was 160,472. Ten times as many males as female are imprisoned.

Age of the Fountain Pen.

The fountain pen is not a recent invention, as might be imagined; for it is referred to in Samuel Taylor's "Universal System of Shorthand Writing," published in 1786.

Cleans Inside of Bottles.

For cleaning the inside of bottles a French inventor has made a brush that can be adjusted to any angle from its handle by a screw running through the latter.

Use for Starfish.

Starfish are known to contain nearly 5 per cent of nitrogen and a small quantity of phosphoric acid. In Japan they are used as a manure.

Warning.

Wife (sweetly)—"My dear, I want to remind you to forget that tomorrow is our anniversary."—Life.

Clear Conscience.

Say, old fellow, don't carry the joke too far. Send the umbrella to Room 11, Fraternity Building. If the owner is not in just set it up beside the door. Or if you have that weak feeling and are in need of a tonic, and not able to climb the stairway, you can just pitch the shower stick in at the lower door entrance and return home, or any old place you like, carrying a clear conscience of one having done a good and worthy deed. Try it once.—Winchester Sun.

Translated Into English.

All books of the Old Testament apocrypha, 14 in number, have been translated into English, and are included as apochryphal books in some editions of the Bible. They were formerly printed under a distinctive heading between the Old and the New Testaments, and in that form can still be found in many old family Bibles. They are always included in the so-called Septuagint, a version of the Bible used by the Greek church.

Plant Food in Soil.

A chemical analysis cannot show the amount of available plant food in a soil. A chemist could, without difficulty, make an artificial soil containing every element of plant food in abundance, and yet be perfectly sterile. Peat, for example, is usually very rich in nitrogen, but it is locked up or unavailable. To pulverize it and mix it with lime is to change it into a highly nutritious soil.

Coconuts All Year 'Round.

Across Lake Worth, from West Palm Beach, Fla., is Palm Beach, situated on a strip which extends along the Atlantic ocean for many miles. The world famous Royal Poinciana, one of the world's largest hotels, and the Palm Beach hotel, both face Lake Worth. The shores of the lake for miles are fringed with stately coconut trees, always in bearing.

Despise the Savoyards.

Even to the present day the Genevese hate and despise the Savoyards, their hereditary enemies, calling the contemptuous attention of the stranger to the fact that these neighbors of theirs are unthrifty and still make their women work in the fields, as they did in former days. Fifteen minutes' ride in a motorcar will carry one from Geneva into Savoy.

Foundation for Success.

Constant cheerfulness and singleness of purpose, holding ever in mind the goal to be attained, will carry farther on the road to success than any other method however strenuous, declares an educator. Purification of self, consideration for others, increasing effort and no backward turning—these are the fundamentals of success.

Paraguayans Mistaken.

Paraguay has been fortunate in that she has produced some exceedingly strong men. But very unfortunate in that these men have too often been mistaken, selfish and grasping. One of the leading Paraguayans of today has said that Paraguay has had no history, but, instead, a series of tragedies.

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Notice to the Public

Beginning January 22, 1918, all day fares will be 6 cents, when cash fare is paid and 5½ cents, when tickets are used. These tickets may be purchased in strips of ten single fare tickets for 55 cents or two tickets for 11 cents from all conductors or at any of the stations enumerated below.

Single fare tickets of a value of 6 cents, with a "change coupon" of a value of 4 cents attached, will also be sold for 10 cents. These "change coupons" will be accepted by conductors at a value of 4 cents as part payment of a fare. This four cent "change coupon" is not a reduced rate ticket and will only be accepted for fare upon the payment of 2 cents additional. Two four cent "change coupons" and 3 cents in cash will be accepted by conductors as payment for two single fare tickets, or two tickets will be sold for one four cent "change coupon" and 7 cents in cash.

When conductors begin their day's work they will be supplied with $3 in pennies and will make their change in pennies where possible. When their supply of pennies is exhausted, conductors will sell one single fare ticket of a value of 6 cents and a 4 cent "change coupon" for 10 cents. Passengers are expected to deposit the single fare ticket in the fare box and retain the "change coupon" as part of a future fare or for redemption.

The only object of the company in issuing the "change coupon" is to avoid delays when passengers are boarding cars and because of the scarcity of pennies, emphasized by the requirements of the war tax. Passengers can assist in eliminating loading delays by using tickets and having their exact fare ready, or by accepting the four cent "change coupon" when they proffer a dime for fare.

Series A tickets heretofore used will be accepted as fare for one fare zone upon payment of one cent additional.

On the Charleroi and Washington divisions 6 cents will be the fare for each fare zone when the fare is paid in cash, but one ticket, sold at the rate of 2 for 11 cents or 10 for 55 cents, will be accepted for each fare zone.

Where passengers ride over two zones, or 4, 6, 8 or 10 zones, they will be sold the exact number of tickets for their ride. In case passengers ride over an odd number of zones, such as 3, 5, 7. 9 or 11 zones, it will be necessary for them to purchase one more ticket than is required to pay the exact fare.

Round trip tickets between Washington and Charleroi will be sold for $1.30, plus the war tax.
Washington-Monongahela round trip tickets will be sold for $1.10, plus the war tax.
One way tickets between Pittsburgh and Roscoe will be sold for 60 cents, plus the war tax.
One way Pittsburgh-Washington tickets will be sold for 55 cents each, plus the war tax.
Night fares will remain 10 cents as heretofore.
Tickets may be purchased at the following places;
Charleroi--Charleroi Barn, 1016 McKean Ave., George S. Might & Sons, 509 McKean Ave.
Monongahela--McAllister-Robinson Co., 204 Main street.
Washington--Office, Beau and Main streets.

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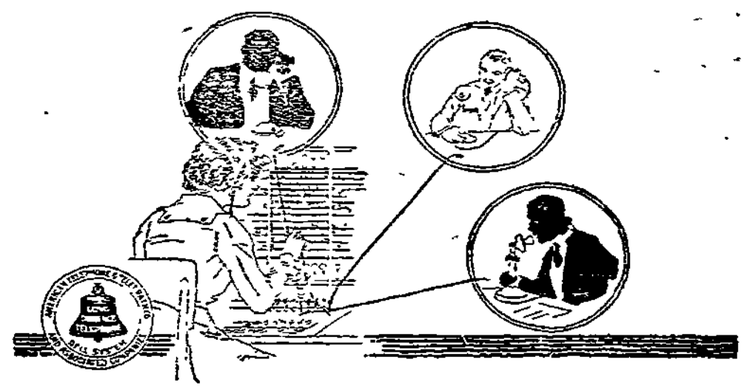

"Busy"

In these extraordinary times it is only natural that telephone lines should frequently be reported busy. *The busier people are, the busier are their telephones!*

If, perhaps, because the call is urgent you question whether the operator is sure that her "busy" report is correct, bear in mind that her test of the line called is a very simple matter and subject to no degree of doubt. Remember, too, that it is easier and quicker for her to complete a call than to report back to the person calling.

Each operator senses her unusual responsibility these days, and is appreciative of every evidence of consideration accorded her earnest effort.

The Central District Telephone Company
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Charleroi, Pa.